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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, It is one of the privileges of the General
3 Assembly to pay due honor and respect to persons who devote
4 their lives to the protection and service of the general
5 public; and

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WHEREAS, Terry Jay Emerick of Vandalia was killed in a
7 traffic accident on May 25, 1994, while on duty as a police
8 officer for the Illinois Commerce Commission; and

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WHEREAS, Officer Emerick was 29 years of age at the time of
10 his death and had served with the Illinois Commerce Commission
11 Police for more than 2 years; and

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WHEREAS, Officer Emerick had served with the Hillsboro
13 Police from 1989 to 1991 and previously had served as a deputy
14 and probation officer in Fayette County; and

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WHEREAS, Terry Emerick was born March 3, 1965 in Vandalia,
16 the son of Frank and Betty (Carman) Emerick; and

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WHEREAS, Officer Emerick graduated from Vandalia High
18 School in 1983, attended Kaskaskia College for 2 years, and
19 then completed a bachelor's degree at Illinois State University
20 in Normal; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Emerick married the former Connie Noyes on
2 August 3, 1991; she lives in Hillsboro with their son, Noah
3 Dean, now 13; and

4 WHEREAS, A portion of Illinois Route 185 between Hillsboro
5 and Vandalia lies in Montgomery County; and

6 WHEREAS, Montgomery County officials hope that a portion of
7 the highway can be designated in Officer Emerick's honor;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 CONCURRING HEREIN, that a portion of Illinois Route 185 in
12 Montgomery County between Hillsboro and Vandalia be designated
13 the Officer Terry J. Emerick Memorial Highway; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
16 is requested to erect, at a location designated by officials of
17 Montgomery County, consistent with State regulations, a
18 roadside memorial giving notice of the name; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be delivered to
20 the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation and

1 the Montgomery County Board and that a suitable copy be
2 presented to Connie Noyes Emerick.